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1. The reply filed on 7/25/2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The claims 1-21 in the amendment are different from the claims 1-20 presented in the application. Also in the Remark of the amendment filed 7/25/2003, applicant indicated that preliminary amendments were filed on 2/24/2000 and 4/28/2000.

However, there is no preliminary amendments received as indicated above in the application.

The claims presented in the application is filed on 2/24/2000 (the filing date of this application).

It appears that applicant's response is not directed to the claims presented in the rejection of Office Action mailed 12/24/2002. See 37 CFR 1.111.

2. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Wei Y Zhen whose telephone number is (703) 305-0437. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tuan Dam can be reached on (703) 305-4552. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 746-7239 for regular communications and (703) 746-7238 for After Final communications.

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